

Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

Claim 1 (currently amended) : An information storage device including a first communication means unit and a second communication means unit for executing, at one and the same time, only one of a first process being performed in response to a process request command received from the first communication means unit and a second process being performed in response to a process request command received from the second communication means unit, comprising:

a processing means executing unit which executes the first process and the second process; and

a status change means unit,

wherein the status change unit gives giving a response, in terms of a current execution status of a process of the processing means unit, when the status change means unit receives a check request command for inquiring a condition of the process of the processing means unit through the second communication means unit, and

wherein the status change means sending unit sends the processing means unit an instruction to change the process of the processing means unit to the second process if the processing means unit is not engaging in execution of the first process when the status change means unit

receives a change request command for giving an instruction to change the process of the processing means unit to the second process through the second communication means unit.

Claim 2 (currently amended): The information storage device according to claim 1, wherein the status change means unit gives a response indicating that the process of the processing means unit can be changed to the second process, to the check request command, if the processing means unit is not engaging in execution of the first process currently.

Claim 3 (currently amended): The information storage device according to claim 1-~~or~~-2,

wherein the first communication means unit is a communication means for performing unit which performs contactless communication, and

wherein the second communication means unit is a communication means for performing unit which performs contact communication.

4. (Currently amended) The information storage device according to claim 1-~~or~~-2,

wherein the first communication means unit is a communication means for performing unit which performs contact communication, and

wherein the second communication means unit is a communication means for performing unit which performs contactless communication.

Claim 5 (currently amended): An information processing apparatus for performing communication with an information storage device through a second communication means unit, the information storage device including a first communication means unit and the second communication means unit for executing, at one and the same time, only one of a first process being performed in response to a process request command received from the first communication means unit and a second process being performed in response to a process request command received from the second communication means unit, comprising:

a control means controlling unit which controls a processing request for the second process of the information storage device; and

an information storage device supervision means sending unit which sends the information storage device a check request command for inquiring a condition of a process of the information storage device, and sends the information storage device a change request command for giving an instruction to change the process of the information storage device to the second process when the information storage device supervision means unit

concludes, based on a response to the check request command, that a status of the information storage device can be changed to a status for executing the second process.

Claim 6 (currently amended): The information processing apparatus according to claim 5,

wherein the first communication means unit is a communication means for performing unit which performs contactless communication, and

wherein the second communication means unit is a communication means for performing unit which performs contact communication.

Claim 7 (currently amended): The information processing apparatus according to claim 5,

wherein the first communication means unit is a communication means for performing unit which performs contact communication, and

wherein the second communication means unit is a communication means for performing unit which performs contactless communication.

Claim 8 (currently amended): The information processing apparatus according to claim 5, ~~-6 or 7~~, wherein the information storage device supervision means unit

transmits the check request command repetitively to the information storage device.

Claim 9 (currently amended) : The information processing apparatus according to claim 8, wherein, when there is a response indicating impossibility of change to the check request command from the information storage device a predetermined consecutive number of times after there is a response indicating possibility of change to the check request command from the information storage device, the information storage device supervision means unit concludes that the information storage device is engaging in execution of the first process, so as not to transmit the change request command to the information storage device.

Claim 10 (currently amended) : The information processing apparatus according to claim 8, wherein, when there is a response indicating possibility of change to the check request command from the information storage device a predetermined consecutive number of times, the information storage device supervision means unit concludes that a status of the information storage device can be changed to a status for executing the second process, so as to transmit the change request command to the information storage device.

Claim 11 (new) : An information storage device comprising:

a first communication unit;

a second communication unit;

a processing unit which executes a first process and a second process, the first process being performed in response to a process request command received from the first communication unit, the second process being performed in response to a process request command received from the second communication unit; and

a status change unit,

wherein the processing unit executes only one of the first process and the second process at one and the same time, wherein the status change unit gives a response, in terms of a current execution status of a process of the processing unit, when the status change unit receives a check request command for inquiring a condition of the process of the processing unit through the second communication unit, and

wherein the status change unit sends the processing unit an instruction to change the process of the processing unit to the second process if the processing unit is not engaging in execution of the first process when the status change unit receives a change request command for giving an instruction to change the process of the processing unit to the second process through the second communication unit.